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Answers To The 2 Most Asked Questions Relating To Collecting Of Perfins

Both prospective perfin collectors and those who just have an accumulation of perfins to get rid of ask the first question, "What are my perfins worth?"

That calls for another question, "What kind of perfins do you have?"

Individual copies of certain official perfins have to be looked for in auction catalogs and when found, may sell for as much as \$25; in fact some of them have been worth forging. As is so often the case, those are the kind that are not often found in collectors' accumulations. What about the others?

Until a few years ago, there were scarcely half-a-dozen perfin collectors in the country; other collectors, if they did not regularly throw these stamps out as damaged, merely threw them in the junk-box thinking that some time it might be interesting to see where they came from. Even now, there are only about 200 members of the Perfins Club of whom perhaps half are the hard core of across-the-board kind while the other half are made up of — 1. those who use perfins to enhance their principal collecting interest; and 2. those who are just getting started. It is apparent that there will have to be many more of us before there is big money in perfins generally.

Actually, much of the value in any lot comes from the sorting of them, a job that needs to be done by someone with an eye to perfin values; another person would likely miss some of the valuable varieties. A raw mixture, depending upon its quality is probably worth from 30c to \$1 per 1,000.

Advanced collectors who wish to build up their collections seem willing to pay \$1 each for wanted types with an additional premium for the scarcer ones. And remember too, there are standards of condition for these too, even though all of them are considered damaged by the classic collector. A split or unreadable design isn't much good to anyone.

Collectors also ask about a catalog. Perhaps some few would like to look up that odd stamp they have found to see if it can be sold for a goodly sum; in this they are doomed to disappointment for none of the catalogs has ever been priced. However, more frequently the prospective new collector is seeking a guide to help him in his activity.

Some foreign countries having only a few hundred types have been adequately cataloged; among these may be named Argentina, Canada and Japan — the latter in Japanese; others are in pro-

gress and may be expected during the coming year.

However, the problem is much more complex in the cases of the U.S. and Great Britain. Those of the latter are discussed in another article in this issue; they are so involved as to almost require psychic shrewdness to be exercised by the cataloger.

The problem presented in cataloging arises from the lack of official information. Consequently, the U.S. perfins catalog is more properly a consolidated checklist, now going through its second round of refinement.

Individual letters are sponsored by single members of the catalog committee. The sponsor prepares, from all the sources available to him, the best possible list. To the extent that he must frequently rely upon the reports of less experienced collaborators, there may even be some inaccuracies in his trial list. Nevertheless, this is circulated to all the members as a part of the Perfins Bulletin and constitutes the working catalog until replaced by a definitive issue.

As part of the improvement program for the catalog, extra copies are sent to each of a group of about 25 collaborators, selected for their willingness to participate and for their superior holdings. Each is expected to study the listing and to report back to the sponsor on the extra copy any variance and variation supported by his collection. From the sum of reports, the sponsor then compiles his refined listing.

With the growth of interest in perfins has come the unearthing of much new material so that it is felt that it will be necessary to make at least two successive canvasses in order to produce an acceptable definitive catalog and even that will lack many identifications.

It can be understood from the foregoing why the Perfins Club does not encourage wide-spread circulation of the existing catalog. First, the lists are primarily prepared for the use of the members and, as they are frankly intended as of temporary value, their limitations can best be understood by those who are informed as to their use.

Also, we are reluctant to have circulated as the work of the Club, outside of our own membership, what we know to be an incomplete and occasionally inaccurate work. Consequently, the

catalog is only made available to the membership.

The letter "O" has most recently been issued with the Bulletin. Back issues of some letters are still available but the supply is not complete — another reason for restricting sale of the parts to members.

Only a portion of "A" is to be had, none of "C", and only a few of "D". From a previously prepared set, scattered parts from "T" to "Z" are to be had. Occasionally, as a member drops out, it has been possible to acquire some of the back issues for an incoming member.

Meanwhile, the Club is going forward toward its ideal of a complete and accurate catalog of U.S. perfins.

Cleveland Scouts Prepare Cachet

The Greater Cleveland Council of the Boy Scouts of America will hold a Scout Show on May 18 and 19 in the Cleveland Arena. "Scouting's Big Show of 1956" will have twelve big acts and more than twelve thousand cubs, scouts and explorers will participate in the two and a quarter hour show.

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Plenty Of Room For Improvement

The long article by Steve Rich, printed in our issue of February 13 has brought quite a few letters of comment. Any real stamp student knows of so many things wrong with the catalogues that they give up in disgust rather than hope for improvement. The students and serious collectors find their best information in handbooks and by other means, using the catalog only as a guide.

Our own project over the past several years has been the Paid Cancellations on the 3c U. S. of 1861. During all this period the catalog has listed the PAID cancel on this stamp at 15 cents. In the past several years we have paid all the way from 5c up to over \$20 for copies with PAID cancellations. Doubtless other specialists could mention other particular cancellations that are as far from being priced right as is this example. This lack of anything like accuracy in so many of our stamp listings has been true for many years past.

We are going to quote a letter from a gentleman who goes back for many years and brings to attention something that should have been listed. We note by reference to the book by Juhl that the item is as yet unlisted there. Question is, do the catalog publishers list only what they have for sale or are they supposed to list every stamp and variety that is known.

Read this letter, you students of 20th Century U. S., you Bureau Issue boys and give us the answer. So you who are interested can go into this matter fully we are able to state that the letter is from A. E. Schaefer, 1733 N. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, Mich. We have known Mr. Schaefer for many years as a very much interested stamp collector. Here is his letter.

"Editor Linn's Weekly
"Sidney, Ohio
"Dear Sir:

"I was very much interested in the article in your good paper by Stephen Rich, February 13, concerning the indifference displayed by the editors of the leading stamp catalogs to new developments, which are the results of research work or new discoveries in this field.

"I cannot speak concerning the foreign catalog editors but I do think my experience with the editors of Scott's catalogs may be of interest.

"Back during the 1930's I came across a plate number block of No. 564, showing a small five point star.

"On looking this up in the U. S. Specialized, I found the large five point and six point stars only, listed.

"I therefore wrote to Scott's and told them about it and offered to send the block I had to them for inspection. I never had the courtesy of a reply to my letter.

"A year or two later, I took the block with me on a trip to New York and went in to Scott's emporium. I was referred to a man about 35 years of age, who, I was told, was in charge of new listings in their catalog.

"I told him about this block. He quickly thumbed over the pages of a new U. S. Specialized Catalog and promptly informed me that no such block existed because it was not in the catalog. I then took out the block and showed it to him. He blandly informed me that the star in question was a large star and not a small one.

"Inasmuch as I had anticipated some such response, I had with me another block showing the large star, which I took out and laid along side the first block.

"He made no comment, but took out a small book and wrote in it at some length. I assumed he was making a note for a future catalog listing and asked him if he were going to list it.

"His reply was 'I have made a note of it'. That was that, and the interview was over. For the next ten years or so I looked hopefully in the catalog each year to see if this block had been listed, but it never was, and to this day it is still unlisted.

"During April 1941 I was traveling by auto out to the west coast and went through Newton, Kansas. I happened to remember the ads that I had seen frequently in Linn's Weekly of Dicky, the stamp man, who advertised that he was located next to the post office. I looked him up and was astonished at the huge stock that was carried in this small town by this dealer. I asked him if he had any used blocks of the Kansas and Nebraska issues as I was collecting used blocks at the time. He told me he had a few of these on ordinary covers, which I purchased. He then said he also had some First Day Covers, which he showed me.

"These were dated April 15, 1929 and were canceled Newton, Kansas. At the time, Scott's listed only covers canceled Washington, D. C. and dated May 1, 1929.

"Mr. Dicky told me the story of these First Day Covers as follows: Early in April 1929 the postmaster at Newton had 1c, 6c and 8c stamps. When these arrived on April 15th they bore strange overprints. That is, they were overprinted with the word Kans. The postmaster sent word to Mr. Dicky to come over and look them over. It so happens that Mr. Dicky, who was also in the piano business, was delivering a piano out in the country somewhere and did not get back until 5:45 p.m. He recognized these stamps at once from what he had read about them in the stamp papers, and also recognized that this was an opportunity to get some First Day Covers.

"He called on another collector to help him, and in the fifteen minutes before the post office closed, they got out 47 covers with singles of these various stamps. They also sent one or two sets of blocks on covers. Mr. Dicky was not sure about the exact number of these.

"When I got back home I wrote to Scott's and told them what Mr. Dicky had told me, and suggested that these covers be listed in Scott's as the authentic First Day Covers. I offered to send the covers to them for their inspection. As in the former case, I received no reply, and for a number of years thereafter, Scott's continued to list Washington as the sole First Day point of issue and the date May 1st.

"Eventually, Scott's did list Newton April 15th as the correct place and date. Just why they did this I do not know. It certainly was not due to any information I had given them.

"Just why this lethargy or inertia or apathy or whatever you may wish to call it should crop up in these two cases, I do not know but it ties in very well with Mr. Rich's article on this subject. It would seem to me that it is the responsibility of a catalog editor to investigate all reports of new finds or additional information concerning old reports, and after authentication, produce these changes in his catalog.

"Probably the answer to all of this is the lack of competition, and the resulting complaisance of the catalog editors.

"Probably the advent of Mr. Minkus into the catalog market in this country will be a good thing for everyone concerned, including Scott's.

"Yours very truly,
"A. E. Schaefer"



GEORGE W. LINN

SMILEATELICS . . . Bob Rieker



"I didn't tell you your western cattle in a storm looked silly when you got it, did I?"

Swaziland Offers First Day Cancel

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All stamps will be printed in two colors by the recess process. The vignettes on all except the 2/6 and 5/- will be in black. The other color, design and denomination are:-

1/2 orange, Havelock Asbestos Mine; 1d green, A Highveld View;

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NOTES

BY CARL P. RUETH

There certainly are a bunch of impatient people around the nation — stamp collecting ones, that is.

Have had all kinds of notes, cards and letters wanting to know why the writers' first day covers of the Booker T. Washington comm. haven't arrived, or why they were so late.

Relax, relax, relax!

So they are a week or so late. What difference will it make? They will be no more or less valuable or attractive because of the delay. From here on in a good many of them will repose in shoeboxes or similar receptacles very seldom ever to see daylight again.

You must remember that the very small post offices are not equipped to render the fine first day service the larger post offices do. They have neither the space nor the personnel, and it takes plenty of both.

Just remember the Post Office Department is sincerely conscientious about the service it offers collectors and does everything possible that they be satisfied. In case something goes wrong like the non-receipt of your covers, wrong number of stamps on it, or damage, the postmaster of the first day city will more than do justice with your problem.

Let's have faith, brethren! Faith!

1. What commemorative shows a Dutch ship in New Amsterdam Harbor?

2. What commemorative shows U.S. ships in Tokyo Bay?

Dr. George Morey, Jr. of Denton, Texas sent a clipping from the "Campus Chat", a publication for the students and faculty of North Texas State College. It reads — "Attention, philatelists!

"A sophomore architecture student at the University of California tried to pay off his tuition with scores of sheets of unused United States commemorative stamps which he has been collecting since 1941. However, USC has a postage meter machine and doesn't use stamps anymore.

"A n y b o d y want to buy a stamp?"

William G. Cote certainly did a real nice job in the preparation of souvenir items from the first day ceremonies of the 20c Monticello of the Liberty Series.

Besides the official first day program bearing the new stamp tied with first day cancel, he also made up two others of a historical nature, the same way. All three will sparkle in that growing collection of mine.

While they didn't have a first day at the recent mid-year session of the SPA during the Reading Stamp Collectors Club Exhibition at Reading, Pa., J. Edward Vining, executive secretary of the Society of Philatelic Americans prepared one of those programs with stamp and the special postmark used there.

I'm most grateful to both men for their thoughtfulness.

From a reader comes —

"Is a cover bearing the cancellation of the first day of issue, which has not gone through the mail because the owner or dealer arranged to have bulk mail run through the machine, a First Day of Issue Cover or a Souvenir? I maintain it is the latter as it was never handled through the mails."

If people regard first day covers as they should be, such as a dish of ice cream or other small treat or luxury, then there should be no question of status. And that's just what they are!

Many collectors get great satisfaction from the collection of FDC's, and I believe most of them realize they are not building something which will mean anything in the way of money at a future date. It won't either! They are nice colorful items which bring

their pleasure in the beholding and possession.

So what difference does it make if they pass through the mail channels, or don't, or are cancelled on the actual first day, or a week later? It's all a recognized part of the game and no one cares overly much one way or the other.

First day cover collecting is one of the last places where technicalities are involved. So long as the first day postmark is the correct one, that's it.

Incidentally now and again some postmaster will place a stamp on sale a day or so before its inaugural in the first day city. Alert cover fans buy them, affix to envelopes, get them postmarked and have themselves a freak for their collections. Such are called pre-first day covers and are not as valuable as a legitimate one.

The rules say that a FDC is only official and recognized when it bears the first day postmark of the first day city.

I understand that the folks out in Seattle, Wash. are trying to get the first day of the Salmon stamp of the Wildlife Conservation trio. Suggested date is August 3.

Since Washington has been identified with the salmon industry, it wouldn't be a bad choice. Only other spot would be Alaska where salmon processing is big business.

THANKS FOR THE COVERS

DEPT.: Gunnar Madsen, Tollose, Denmark; William N. Wright, Ogden, Utah; John Ramsay, Reading, Pa.; William G. Cote, Norfolk, Va.; J. Edward Vining, Tampa Fla.; Robert Rank, Union, N.J.; Dr. W. L. Fluck, Halifax, N.S. Canada; G. Ross Workman, Toronto, Canada; Martin Bostrom, Orebro, Sweden; Pierre A. Cubells, Soissons, France; Euclides Pontes, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Henry J. Koenig, Dayton, Ky.

When you visit FIPEX be sure to come around to our booth, No. 84, to say hello. Expect to be there a good deal of the time, but also want to do some gadding around among the exhibits dealers and the society lounges. Have a lot of friends in those places to greet.



Might again call your attention to the FIPEX souvenir Linn's has prepared. It was pictured on page 38 of that record April 23 edition. We think it about as neat an item as will appear for the big doings. You might want one copy for mint and another for used as full postal coverage.

- 1. The New York City of 1953.
- 2. The 5c Perry of 1953.

Souvenir Sheet For Yugoslav Exhibition

April 20 was the first day of issue for one of two commemoratives Yugoslavia has planned for the Third Philatelic Exhibition to be staged at Zagreb, May 20 to 27. It is a 15 dinari in three colors.

To come on May 20, opening day of the show, is a 30din airmail. The designs picture buildings of Zagreb of the 13th and 18th centuries.

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The airmails have the designs and shape of the regulars, and are — 10c blue and red, Coliseum; 12c purple and orange, Globe; 15c purple and light blue, Statue of Liberty.

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The German group has been invited to make full use of the facilities of the German Philatelic Society at FIPEX. The Society has Lounge "M" there which will serve as a focal point for all collectors of Germany. Anyone wanting to contact or leave messages for any of the visiting group can do so at lounge "M".

In addition, a reception and dinner are being planned by the Philadelphia Chapter of the Germany Philatelic Society together with a visit to the famous Philatelic Museum in Philadelphia.

Founding Father On
New Chile Regular

One of the founding fathers of the republic of Chile is to be seen on a new definitive from that nation issued April 5. He is Jose Miguel Carrera.



The stamp, which had an initial printing of 3,000,000, is in dark purple and of 2 Pesos denomination. It will probably be used regularly for the prepayment of the printed matter rate.

Guillermo Preuss, Casilla 3794, Santiago, Chile believes this is one of a new series in the making.

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Surprisingly the problem became acute at the Oxford University Society, a club on the campus of the university. Stamps were provided for the members to stamp their letters but it seems that the boys tended to overdo their privileges. In 1857, began the practice of overprinting the university stamps with the letters O.S.U. between two wavy lines about like our modern precancels. The practice was obviously not a satisfactory one for wide use, nor was it permitted to become so by the British post office.

It was an obvious step to transfer the printing to the back of the stamp. To get it under the gum, it became necessary to have the work done by the stamp printers. This easily made for all-round dissatisfaction as it required a careful watch by the purchaser to see that he did not run out of his special underprint.

It did not help that he had to buy in relatively larger quantities than he might have preferred. Some firms copied the practice but printed on the already-gummed sheets. This prevented resale of the stolen stamps but it was no bar to private use.

Neither did it work out well for collectors of this modest specialty. This is one group firmly against "bathtubbing". Both overprinting and underprinting must be considered as abandoned experiments.

All the while, the British had one of the most effective anti-theft devices available from the day of penny postage, the stamped envelope. A stamped envelope with a printed return address is infrequently misused and the very bulk of them in quantity makes large-scale theft impractical. Perhaps the initial unpopularity of the Mulready envelope coupled with the limited use of return addresses in Britain may be accounted the cause of the oversight.

Equally curious, there was no contemplation of theft protection associated with the perforating device that took the place of overprinting and underprinting, when the machine was first invented. Joseph Sloper made his first machine for dating railway tickets and its application to stamps was an afterthought.

However, he made his invention at the right time for he found active support with the postal authorities. Sloper's firm not only sold machines for the work but also did the work on a custom basis for postal patrons. This would presume changeable dies and would seem to indicate the possibility that successive runs might not always be identical yet it does not appear that such an observation has been made by students of the stamps.

For more than thirty years, perforated initials had little competition and for twenty more, nothing much effective. In the U.S. where their use was prohibited until 1908, stamped envelopes were in wider commercial use than in England.

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Precancels too, answer some of the requirements for discouraging stamp theft but their use is limited to specific types of mail.

Devices for automatically affixing stamps from coils came to be a real threat to the perforated initial business around 1900-10 followed by metered mail.

Today, the meter idea has limited opportunity for extension but not a great deal. The factors that tend in the direction of wider use are beginning to be met by other factors that hold the use of meters back. There are still some areas where another type of postage is more attractive than metered mail.

Two great strongholds of perforated initials are the railroads and certain state governments. In each case, it is necessary to distribute relatively small amounts of postage to a large number of offices. While it probably would be possible to show that there is not enough loss to make any protective device worthwhile, there are laws, and precedents as strong as law, that dictate some protective measure and a perforating device is the only practical solution.

Many interesting combinations of perforated initials with other protective schemes can be picked up in commercial mail. Some owners of machines punch their precancels as well as ordinary stamps although it is hard to imagine that an employee could profit by the theft of precancels.

A few concerns use stamped envelopes for ordinary single rate letters; perforated initials are only found on multiple rate letters and other odd postal "jobs". Other companies that formerly used the punched stamps continue to do so on a limited scale after adopting meters. They show up from time to time to supplement a deficient amount on a meter.

Collectors of this material means that you are going to collect commercial covers. Some of them are not going to be on snappy bond stock with engraved cachets. Looking for older covers is going to be a now-and-then project because most such covers will have been sold for waste paper. Against that, there will be small expense and plenty of fun.

Fine U. S. Remains Strong In Auctions

The 1000th auction held by H. R. Harmer, Inc. of 6 W. 48th St., New York was commemorated by the sale of a wonderful group of United States material offered by order of P. G. Rust of Georgia, a New York collector and others.

Excellent prices were obtained throughout, the highest realization being for a 1901 Pan-American 4c, center inverted, block of 4, o.g., closed tear at bottom and tiny paper scrape. This celebrated piece from the Col. Green sale cataloguing at \$6000 sold to Raymond H. Weill Co. at \$7750.

The rare and popular Columbian 4c blue error of color was represented by an o.g. well centered copy and the condition was fully appreciated when it sold at \$1700 against a catalogue of \$1100.

Amongst the prominent professional buyers were Raymond H. Weill Co.; Jack Molesworth; John A. Fox; Stampazine; Michael Karen; S. Pinchot; G.M. Meghrig Co.

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Almost exactly 15 years were needed therefore to attain the "1000 mark", representing an average of 66 sessions of auctions each year.

29 Groups Occupy Lounges At FIPEX

In addition to the official displays of 69 governments, the world-wide importance of the Fifth International Philatelic Exhibition at New York Coliseum will be evident April 28-May 6 in the 105 booths which will be occupied by dealers and publishers from seven countries and a dozen states.

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(Continued from last week)

Now we turn to the next largest group of errors namely Perforation Errors. The most important are Imperforates, although it must be pointed out that numerous stamps were, of course issued imperforate only and thus cannot be considered errors at all. An IMPERFORATE can be considered an error only if it was sold that way without official knowledge. Many countries make it a practice to print small quantities of imperforates as a matter of standard policy. For example, the U.S. Post Office Department Exhibit at almost any major stamp show includes a frame or two of imperforates.

While such imperfs practically never reach collectors' hands, similar special printings such as the original "Farleys" or certain Canadian 20th century issues did leak out.

Imperforates of France and the French Empire are also found in many specialized collections. Syria even gives 1500 imperforate sets of every issue to its underpaid postal employees as an official bonus. It is rumored that the head of the department receives 40 sets while the underlings receive proportionately less; the lowest-ranking employees are said to get only a single set.

There are also numerous stamps which are imperforate on only one, two or three sides. For example, a full pane of the \$1 Presidential was recently illustrated in Linn's. Only the vertical perforations had been applied to it which created 50 pairs which are called "imperf horizontally".

Then there are also "imperf between pairs" which look just like any pair of stamps except that there are no perforations where they are joined. Israel No. 1-6 can be found in both horizontal and vertical imperf between pairs and are quite scarce that way.

Of course there are also proofs and essays of stamps on the philatelic market, often of issues which were contemplated but never quite finished. Those, as well as finished stamps, which for one reason or another were never placed on public sale, can not properly be regarded as errors (though frequently highly desirable) and are therefore not covered within the scope of this article.

We come now to the third group of major errors, namely those concerning Errors in the Design. They are interesting from various angles, but usually not especially rewarding from the financial point of view. Errors of design often occur as the result of Misconceptions or Misrepresentations. These errors are sometimes rectified and sometimes not.

A typical example of such a correction is presented by France Nos. 330 & 331. First of the Rene Descartes stamps appeared with the inscription of "Discours SUR la Methode". The gentlemen of the Academie Francaise found out that this was a wrong title. Subsequently the inscription was

changed to "Discours DE LA Methode" and both stamps are quite common and have the same price tag of 20c.



Canada, Scott Type APS2, Air-mail Special Delivery. There is a difference between Scott No. CE3 and CE4 in that on the former the accent over the "E" of EX-PRES (bottom of stamp design) was a circumflex instead of a grave. When this error was discovered, Canada changed the mark over the "E" to a grave accent.

One more corrected error concerns that Italian Flag stamps in the long Korea Flag series of 1951. Nos. 154 and 155 show the Italian Flag with crown, but since Italy had by that time become a republic these stamps were redrawn and appeared as Nos. 154a & 155a without crown.

Now a few typical examples of NOT corrected errors in the design: Philippines No. 357, the 18c of the 1932 pictorial set which was supposed to show a view of the Pagsanjan Falls in the Philippines. By some oversight it actually depicts Vernal Falls in Yosemite Park, Calif.

From France we have the famous "Semeuse", types A20-22, sowing against the wind. Then there are various stamps of Latin American countries showing Columbus sighting land with the help of a telescope which was invented sometime later. Most of these major errors and major blunders were quickly spotted, but never rectified.

There is further a wealth of misspelled names, dates and inscriptions in existence and these are generally major errors listed by the various catalogues.

We shall touch now the fourth group of major errors, those of watermark or paper. First let me give you an example of a stamp printed on paper with the wrong watermark, namely U.S. No. 832, the \$1 Woodrow Wilson which was only recently discovered with watermark "U.S.I.R." Such paper is ordinarily used for Revenue stamps only.

There are various varieties in existence, such as inverted watermarks and watermarks sideways. An interesting error is Mexico No.

706, the top value 10 Peso of the 1934 series which should come with watermark No. 156, but which exists without watermark.

There are also errors of paper in evidence. France No. 354, the 50fr Clement Ader comes in thin and thick paper, but there is little difference in price. Other errors of paper include double paper varieties found on some U.S. stamps. If you have U.S. No. 65 instead of the regular on LAID paper, you have No. 65b with a price tag of \$100.

We come now to the fifth group of major errors and this concerns Errors of Color. I just want to mention two interesting color errors which turned up in recent years. One concerns a U.P.U. stamp of Afghanistan of 1951. One cliche of the 1.25p normally chocolate, was by mistake placed into a plate of the 35p ultramarine. Therefore some sheets exist with No. 394 in ultramarine. Scott lists this error as No. 395a whereas it should read 394a. We brought this to the attention of the Scott editors and this printing error will probably be corrected in one of the next Scott's Monthly Journals.

The above mentioned error of Afghanistan is very similar in nature to U.S. 463b and 499b.

The other intriguing color error I hit upon concerns Poland No. 658, the 60g of the Anniversary set of 1954 which is supposed to be in violet brown. In a shipment we discovered some copies in a distinct blue color, quite an interesting item for Poland specialists.

With regard to color errors you have to watch out for real differences in color, such as blue instead of brown. Mere shades, such as for example, yellow green, or dark green instead of green, do not constitute major color errors and the influence of climate may be responsible for the difference.

One of the best known color errors concerns U.S. No. 233, the 4c Columbian. In the regular ultramarine color it is priced at \$3 mint. However the blue color error commands a price tag of \$1000 and there is not much of a difference between ultramarine and blue, when you come to think of it.

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—Photo, Jimmy Tafoya, Detroit Free Press.

Semipostal Helps Increase Polio Fund

Ten million copies of a 20c plus 30c semipostal have been issued by Argentina to help raise funds for the Polio Campaign. It had its first day of issue on April 14. Printing was by photogravure in a gray blue at the National Printery.

The design represents an adolescent attacked by the Heine Medin disease, while the hand of a helping person extended over the child's forehead symbolizes the national concern.

H. G. Spanton, 1484 Calle Bolivar, Buenos Aires, Argentina advises that the first day cancel was applied to mail from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Heinz Hoffmann, 19226 Rockcastle, Detroit 36, Mich. has been

advertising a weekly auction in Linn's offering philatelic literature. It has been possible for him to mail out the lots to successful bidders almost at once, but now he has been handicapped by his experienced helper having had to be hospitalized. Mr. Hoffman asks customer patience.

Teodors Stals, 316 Oak St., North Aurora, Ill. has a price list which he will send free to requests. It deals with the issues of Postwar Germany, the Saar, and the 1945-46 German local issues. Offers are for mint and used, including specialist items. Of interest is the inclusion of quantities printed and sold with the various listings.

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Houston, Texas postmaster Granville W. Elder will open the 60th Anniversary Convention and Exhibition of the Texas Philatelic Assn. in the Rice Hotel opening May 11, and extending to the 13th.

According to J. Stuart Boyles, general chairman, a number of outstanding events and displays have been scheduled for visitors. Exhibits are limited to members and friends of the TPA, but the participation in all other activities are open to all.

Sightseeing to some of the prominent places in the Houston area, luncheons, and a ride on the fabulous new elevated monorail train are to be offered. The banquet will be held Saturday evening.

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Here are shown Canadian stamps made into "Officials". Across the top are stamps on which this was accomplished by the use of 5-hole perforations of the initials O.H.M.S. The block in the center row has these same letters overprinted in black on the stamp. The \$1 stamp, center bottom, has the current method of denoting an official, the overprinting on the letter "G".

The Canadian "O.H.M.S." Officials

Roy Wrigley

Back in May 1923 collectors noticed that Canadian stamps, on mail from certain government departments, were perforated O.H.M.S. with the letters H and M -5-holes. The stamps were the regular 1912 King George V (Crown) issue. The Finance Department did the perforating, in Ottawa, and distributed these stamps to various government offices, for exclusive use on government mail. Their use was continued until March 11, 1935, embracing Scott #104 to #210, or Gibbons #246 to #334.

The first organized step in gathering information about these stamps was taken in 1940 by the British Columbia Philatelic Society of Vancouver when a committee of Messrs. Salt, Nicholson, Millard and Gordon were appointed to compile a list of the then known varieties.

In 1942, the committee, along with Messrs. Garrett, and Daggs, produced a checklist of 142 varieties. Mr. Garrett, a former government official, had collected the Officials since 1928 and had developed a guide to the eight positions of the perforating of the stamps, depending on whether the sheets were fed into the machine face-up head-up, face-up head-down, gum-up face-up, or gum-up face-down, which gave four positions.

Then if the sheet was fed sideways, it naturally gave four additional positions. These he called the A B C D E F G H and H positions, and dedicated his copyright system, through the B.C. Philatelic Society, to Philatelists in general.

The perforating machine would perforate a row of ten small size stamps at a time, with the sheets fed in flat, often several sheets at a time, causing "missing perfs". Where one row has been perforated twice, it constitutes an "X" Double; if perforated three times it is a "XX" Triple, then we have a "Com-pound" where perfs one way, then fed in another way, such as "A & C".

We have rare instances where one row is missed in the perfs, giving a "Z" Imperforate Pair. The 5-hole perforated OHMS extended from July 1923 to March 11, 1935, and included the 1912 King George V (admiral) issue, Scott #104, to the 1933 commemorative issue, Scott #210, C1 to E9, airmail and special delivery. The #112, 118 and 167 are the lower price items in this field, at around \$4 each.

From March 12, 1935 to July 1, 1939, perforating was discontinued, and the Post Office Department supplied all government departments with regular postage stamps.

On July 1, 1939 the Post Office Department took over perforating of all stamps supplied to government offices. They recalled all stamps on hand to be perforated on their 5-hole perforating ma-

chine. Among those returned we find the old 1933 commemorative, 1935 King George V Silver Jubilee 1935 King George V, also the airmails C1 to C6, and Special Delivery E1 to E9.

The numbers returned were quite limited, and all are scarce. Of those returned some were in broken sheets, and in feeding these into the machine (which ordinarily perfs a row of ten) on occasion we have a pair, one perforated, and the other unperforated, designated in Wrigley's Checklist as "Z". These are among the rarities, of the Officials, and are found in both 5-hole and 4-hole. They have a value of around \$50 a pair.

In a letter from L.J. Mills, Director of Financial Services, Post Office Department, he states, "I therefore believe that it is correct to state that the two 5-hole perforating machines, transferred to our Department in 1939, were destroyed."

In July, 1939 the Post Office Department installed a new machine to perforate OHMS the "H" and "M" letters, four holes high. The 4-holes perforating commenced with the 1937 King George VI (Scott #231) carrying through the 1939 Royal Visit, 1942 War, 1946 Peace, 1949 Revised, the Air, Air Special Delivery, and the Special Delivery, (to Scott #E4). These are relatively cheap, ranging from 1c where the perfs is normal position (A C E or F) to several dollars when they have been fed into the machine in an awkward or incorrect manner, giving B D G or H position.

The Scott #223, 224, 225 and 226, perforated 4-hole, were a few of the 1935 King George V issues returned from the government offices to be perforated 5-hole, but were received after the 4-hole machine had been installed. Their limited number, indicates their scarcity.

In September 1949, recognizing the cost of manually perforating the number of stamps required, the Post Office Department overprinted O.H.M.S. on stamps commencing with the 1942 War issue, 1949 Revised, 1946 Airmail, and 1950 Special Delivery, (Scott #01, to 15a, C01, and E01).

In the overprinted we find a Missing Period after "S" in the War 1c, 2c, 10c, 14c, 20c, 50c, and

\$1, 50c Oil, Revised 1c, 4c and 5c, and Air 7c. In addition in the 1c Revised the Missing Period exists after the "M", and in the 5c Revised after "O" and "H", after "H", and after "M".

We also have the Narrow Spacing in the War 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, and the Revised 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, and 5c. On September 30, 1950, recognizing that French, as well as English is an official language, and that there were no corresponding words in French for "On Her Majesty's Service", the letter "G" was used, meaning Government, or Gouvernement.

These extended from the 1950 Revised, 1946 Peace, 1950 Resources, 1952 Change of Color, 1952 Regular issue, 1953 Queen Elizabeth 1c to 5c, 1954 Q.E. 5c, 50c Textile, 10c Eskimo, 7c Air, and 10c Special Delivery.

In the overprint "G" we find two errors — the O.26 10c Fur, with the "G" missing once in certain sheets, also the "G" misplaced, on the skin, or trapper's waist.

Collectors who have set aside these Canadian postage stamps, because of their being perforated, would do well to bring them out, and see if they have some valuable items. My recently issued Checklist of Canada Officials, lists 325 varieties in the 5-hole perfs, 301 in the 4-hole, 42 in the overprinted O.H.M.S., and 30 in the overprinted "G", and 4 items in stationery.

Canada Officials definitely constitute a most interesting phase in B.N.A., as not only the overprinted, but also perforated, were regular issues by the Canadian Post Office Department.

(Editors Note: The checklist referred to by the author can be obtained from him at \$1.50 per copy. Address requests and payments to Roy Wrigley, 2288 Bellevue Ave., West Vancouver, B.C., Canada.

FIPEX Sheet, Stamp Engravers, Designers

The designers and engravers of the FIPEX commem and souvenir sheet were named by the Post Office Department.

William K. Schrage is credited with the 3c stamp design — engravers, of the vignette is Arthur W. Dintaman, lettering and numerals, George A. Payne.

Victor S. McCloskey, Jr. modeled the 11c souvenir sheet. Matthew D. Fenton engraved the vignette, while John S. Edmondson was responsible for the lettering and numeral of the 3c.

For the 8c frame and lettering and the sheet dedicatory wording, Richard M. Bower did the engraving. The frame of the sheet, lettering and numerals on the sheet, and lettering and numeral of the stamps are credited to John S. Edmondson.

The vignette of the 8c was engraved by Richard M. Bower, the scrolls by Alexander Peneau, and the lettering of the legend and stars by John S. Edmondson.

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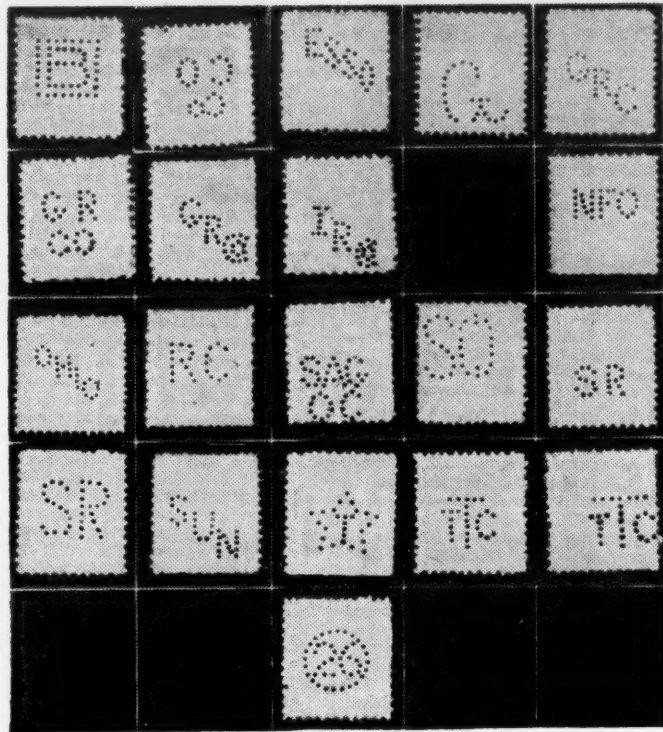


Figure 1

Perfins Fit Well Into A Topical Collection

Victor J. Van Lint

Perfins have successfully invaded the topical field. As we know, topical collecting came about as an alternative for the stamp collector who found a general collection either too expensive or too large a field to cover. Often however, a topical collection is quite limited. For instance, the collector of "Lighthouses on Stamps" will find that there are only about 56 different which will fit in this topic and it is clear that once they are all there, the activity is stymied.

No wonder therefore, that the thematic collector is always on the lookout for ways and means in which he can broaden his field of activities.

This has now, in many cases, successfully been accomplished by adding perfins to certain collections. Two examples will be discussed here in detail. Others will be mentioned and could be treated in subsequent articles.

Let us first go to the philatelist who has chosen "The Petroleum Industry on Stamps" as his subject. Besides those such as Colombia Scott No. 437 and many others, he can broaden his field of activities quite considerably by encompassing also the perfins of oil companies into his collection.

There are 21 known perfins of U.S. oil companies as can be seen from the list in Table 1. The last column has the known range of Scott numbers in the case of Continental Oil, the second item listed, the range is from the 1c 1922 to the 1942 "Win the War" issue, a theoretical total of nearly 350 different issues, but as a practical matter this figure must be reduced to probably 50.

Table 1: Perfins of American Oil Companies

Type	Style	mm. #	Company	Range Scott #s.
1 B in square	2H	8	Barnsdall Petroleum Co.	552-732
2 CO/CO	2H	5	Continental Oil Co.	552-905; C23-33
3 ESSO	Diag	5	Standard Oil Co. of N. J.	804-905
4 G	Fancy	11 1/2	Gulf Refining Co., Houston	406-833; C19-23
5 GRC	Diag	5 1/2	Gulf Refining Co.	552-810
6 GR/CO	2H	5 1/2	Gulf Oil Corp., Port Arthur	427-901
7 GRC(o)	Diag	5 1/2	Gulf Refining Co., Pittsburgh	401-905
8 IRC(o)	Diag	5 1/2	Indian Refining Co.	331-406
9 JOR	Diag	5 1/2	Johnson Oil Refining Co.	2
10 NFO	H	5 1/2	N. Y. & N. J. Lubricant Co.	332-940
11 OHIO	Diag	4	Standard Oil Co. of Ohio	332-905
12 RC	H	7 1/2	Richfield Oil Corp., Los Angeles	552-901; C25
13 ESSO/OC	2H	5 1/2	So. American Gulf Oil Co.	552-911
14 SO	H	12 1/2	Standard Oil Co. (N. J. & Ind.)	304-905; C32
15 SR	H	5 1/2	Sinclair Refining Co.	552-905; C7
16 SR	H	11	Sinclair Refining Co.	552-818
17 SUN	Diag	5 1/2	Sun Oil Co.	406-1008
18 T in star	H	5	The Texas Co.	332-905; C33
19 TTC	H	5 1/2	The Texas Co., Los Angeles	552-905; C25
20 TTC	H	5 1/2	The Texas Co., Houston	552-816
21 26 in circle	H	12	Standard Oil Co. (N. Y. & N. J.)	407-901

* These types have extra holes designating branch offices
** Not in author's collection
Height of Key Letter

It can easily be seen how this materially adds to the collecting possibilities of our topical collector and that is not all. Looking at the oil company perfin No. 14, SO of the standard Oil Co. we detect two extra holes inside the letter, O. The relative position of these two extra holes determines the particular town where this perfin is issued and used in a Standard Oil Co. office. By varying the position and combination of these holes, Standard Oil Co. has differentiated more than 50 offices. Actually, the practice began before the break-up of the old "trust" and was continued by the N.J. and Indiana Companies. There has been no duplication among the subtypes. This broadens the field of the collector even more.

It can be stated therefore that adding the perfins of the oil companies to his topical collection can give the collector an additional field of as many as 2,000 possibilities.

And, if this is not enough, our topical collector can go even farther and also encompass perfins from oil companies on foreign stamps to his field of action. In Table 2, a partial list containing the known perfins of oil companies on foreign stamps is given.

Table 2: Perfins of Oil Companies on Foreign Stamps

Type	Style	mm. #	Company	Range Scott #s.
1 ESSO	H	7 1/2	Dansk Ezzo A.S.	335
2 WI/CO	2H	4 1/2	West Indian Oil Co.	346-427
3 CONACO	H	5 1/2	Compania Conaco, S.A.	427
4 CNP	H	5 1/2	Compania Nativa de Petroleo	**
5 V.O.C.	H	6 1/2	Vacuum Oil Co.	153
6 T in star	H	13 1/2	Continental Petroleum Co.	**
7 S.U.	H	7 1/2	Sinclair Petroleum Co.	**
8 P.O./C.	2H	6	Pure Oil Co., Rotterdam	58-67
9 KNPM/R	2H	5	Royal Dutch Petroleum Co.	**

There is no doubt that this list is far from complete. Only countries for which a reliable perfin check-list has been prepared, are included. As the study and research of foreign perfins progresses, more names will no doubt be added to this list. Fig. 2 shows the perfins corresponding to Table 2, found in the author's collection.

We now turn to another field of topical activity, the Judaic theme. Since the birth of Israel as a nation, a few years ago, this particular field has witnessed an enormous expansion of its adherents. All of them regret very much, the limited scope of their arena of activity and are alert to ways and means of broadening it.

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POSTAGE STAMP PARADE

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CHINA (Formosa). Children's Day was commemorated on April 4 with the issuance of three new stamps. The stamps are of the same design and of the following values: 40c green; \$1.60 blue; \$2 bronze red.

CHINA (Red). With the opening of the "Sikong-Tibet and Chinghai-Tibet Highways" three stamps were issued on March 30. A suspension bridge across the Tatu River is the design on the 8 fen olive. The 4 fen blue shows a line of trucks, and the 8 fen red depicts the opening ceremonies of the highways.

COLOMBIA. Two more values of a long regular series have been released. The entire set should be completed during 1956. The latest values which were released April 5 are a 5c blue with a Map of the San Andres and Providence Archipelago in the Atlantic off the coast of Cartagena. The 5c red and blue shows a local view of a port on San Andres Island.

FIJI. A new definitive set has been ordered. The values are 1d, 1 1/2d, 2 1/2d, 3d, 1/6, 2/-, 5/-.

FRANCE. Paul Sabatier has been honored with the issuance, on April 7, of a 30fr blue green stamp showing chemical apparatus and industrial plants as background for his portrait.

FRENCH MOROCCO. 5fr, 10fr, and 15fr stamps were issued on April 28 in honor of the Sultan, Mohammed V.

HUNGARY. Dogs are the subject of eight new stamps issued on March 21. Four of the stamps are triangular in shape and the values of these are: 40f, 60f, 1.20ft, 2ft. The other values are: 50f, 80f, 1ft, 1.50ft.

PORTUGAL. The centenary of the birth of Ferreira da Silva is to be marked by the issuance of two stamps of the same design, both bearing a portrait of him, on May 3. The \$1 is to be in green and the \$2.30, blue.

SAAR. For the benefit of the Red Cross, a 15fr plus 5fr semi-postal will appear on May 7. Carl Rochling's painting "Historic First Aid Station Near Saarbrücken" is to be used as the design.

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A well-known cliché intimates that many people cannot see the forest for the trees. The same general idea can be applied in the case of collecting perfins, together with other forms of stamps. Possibly it is through prejudice or ignorance that they are omitted from most collections. They can be, and are, separate varieties.

Treating perfins as separate varieties opens up a whole new phase of collecting, no matter if you are a specialist, topical or a general collector. There is scarcely a collection that cannot be augmented by the addition of a few perfins.

If you specialize in one, or a group of countries, you will most likely find perfins, for over a hundred are using or have used, perfins. In many of the them official or quasi-official perfins were used. Their use was really a money-saving feature, for it saved the cost of engraving a new stamp die, while at the same time, it also served as an unobtrusive control to prevent dishonest employees from misappropriating them.

Some countries have used the perfin idea to gain new revenues. Hungary did it in reverse. During 1921 to 1924, a triangle of three holes was punched in the current stamps. If you wanted to purchase them without this perforation, you had to pay a premium.

Italy used a different approach. Stamps were perforated and sold at a discount to various groups. They could be used or sold at the full face value, the profit being kept and used for the group's benefit. You can find similar situations in other countries.

No one can deny that a company, large enough to use perfins, affects the country in which it operates. Thus, these private controls ought to be included in your collection. They are just as much a part of the postal scene as postmarks, cancellations, stampless covers and even revenues, which incidentally, are more often than not, cancelled by perforation.

Those of you who collect stamps issued for, or at stamp exhibitions, would do well to include such items as the 1930 French airmail stamp punched, "E.I.P.A. 30", or the Italian airmail punched, R F P V 46". Look for others such as the IMABA of Switzerland and the crosses of Netherlands.

The topical collector can usually find some perfins to enrich his collection by collecting those used by the firm that did business with that topic. The ferro-philatelist, or railroad collector, will find a rich source of material. Many railroads are still using perfins, so new varieties are still being found.

Steamship companies use perfins too so the ship collector can find something new also. And don't forget the travel agencies, they tie in with both trains and ships. It doesn't take a lot of imagination to find perfins to fill out your particular interest.

Even if you collect geometric designs, you can find them among perfins. Squares, stars, circles, anchors and others can be found; I even have a cow in my collection. I am sure there are topical collections that can find a place for some of these.

Fashions in stamps have changed considerably since precancels were first considered collectible. I can remember when a stamp that had more than the precancel printed on it was discarded. Now, since the government ruling causing the larger denominations to be dated, they are much in demand.

Since so many precancels have been perforated, I cannot see why they should not be included with the dated precancels, as a distinct variety. Perfin collectors have long recognized precancels as a separate type and, in many cases, the precancellation has helped lead the way to identification. You will find different users on the same precancel type and a punched stamp is easier to read than a smeared hand stamp.

Yes, perfins can enlarge the scope of your collection. It will pay you in many added hours of interest and enjoyment. Try it.

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The 3c Wildlife Conservation stamp picturing a wild turkey will have its first day of issue at Fond du Lac, Wis. May 5, at the time of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs Convention and Exhibition there. The color will be maroon.

Designer of this item was Bob Hines. It was modeled by Victor McCloskey, Jr. Charles A. Brooks engraved the vignette — John S. Edmondson the outline frame, lettering and numeral.

CATALOGING
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tremely conservative in their advertising and send their mail out in plain envelopes.

However, many can be identified with the aid of the postmark, although one should exercise discretion since it is the practice of some companies to send their clients stamped, addressed envelopes, and most concerns have sales offices in all the large cities.

A further source most useful in identifying the earlier types, is the fiscals, which often bear a clear hand stamped imprint of the user's name. Sometimes more than one stamp is necessary to determine the full name and one is only useful for partial identification. However, this is one of the fascinating aspects of British perfins, for often a fellow collector can supply the missing part and even the comparative novice can unearth new information.

In cataloging these stamps we differ from our friends in the States inasmuch as we feel it is necessary to give more details with respect to the type. Simply quoting the configuration of the type and the height of the letters would be insufficient to distinguish one from another.

Quite often the only distinguishing feature is the number of holes comprising each letter of the kind of ampersand used. Thus, to obtain complete differentiation between types, we quote both the number of holes in each letter and a code number for the type of ampersand.

Also included is a column for a code number denoting the issues on which each type is found. In this manner, we are able to get some idea of the length of life of the various dies. No attempt is made to determine the scarcity of any particular kind or the issues upon which the type appears, although as the work progresses, this will become self-evident.

Similarly, no attempt is made to determine market value. Indeed, it is to be hoped that their value will never exceed the 15c per 100 that we have placed on them, although a collection of a hundred different issues, including commemoratives and high values might be worth several times that amount.

The types of collections made by us are as varied as those made by American collectors, and naturally includes thematics. A little later I will give more details of the kinds of types to be found, which should give a few pointers on the themes it is possible to collect.

Our methods of mounting and display of course depend upon the individual taste of the person concerned; however I do think one method merits mentioning here since, to my mind, it is the best one devised so far. Briefly, it is this—the stamp is first placed on a transparent surface such as glass with some source of light beneath. A piece of tracing paper is then laid over the top and the design, which is shown up by the light shining through, is traced in India ink.

The stamp is then mounted on the tracing paper alongside the traced design and the two mounted in the album together. In this manner one is able to view both the stamp and design at the same time.

It has been estimated that the total number of different types must be approaching the 10,000 mark by now, so that if one attempts completion, with each type on every denomination and issue, the total figure of the collection would be astronomical. However, if one or more themes are collected, the total would be more reasonable.

In referring to the variety of types, I suppose one should mention first the Officials. These are the only perfins to receive recognition by the publishers of the leading stamp catalogs. It's true they only get a footnote which mentions their existence but they are certainly widely sought by the orthodox G.B. specialist. So much so, in fact, that they have received the attention of the forger and spurious copies of the Board of Trade (Crown over B.T.) are known to exist. The price that genuine copies command warrants some care being taken when purchasing, and, in this respect, a series of articles which appear in the June to November 1955 issues of the Philatelic Adviser (London) should prove most helpful.

Two other government departments have been known to take advantage of the protection afforded by perfins, namely The Office of Works (Crown over OW or HM/OW) and The Stationery Office (S crown O or HW/SO). Other types containing crowns are to be found but these should not be mistaken for official, since at one time, private companies were allowed to use crowns.

A natural sequel to this must surely be the local government

types, that is to say, the local town and county councils. There is a great abundance of these and most are fairly readily distinguishable by the last two or three letters. For example, LC and M/C are the Leicester and Manchester Corporations; LCC the London County Council; CBC, the Cambridge Borough Council; CR/DC, the Chancerybury Rural District Council, and H&W/UDC, the Havant and Waterloo Urban District Council. Thus, with a legible postmark to help, a reasonably probable identification can be made.

Before passing on, it may be interesting to note that, while some cities formerly used Shields, such as Cambridge and Leicester, all appear to have turned over to letters alone now.

Nationalization of various industries has brought into being new committees and boards of governors and one finds these replacing previous privately owned companies. For instance, the hospitals and the gas industry have been grouped into regions and managed by committees, etc. The former are immediately recognized by the letters HMC contained in the type; they are normally prefixed by one or more letters or figures. Here again the postmark can be of great assistance in identification, for instance, a perfin B/HMC and postmarked Bow would emanate from the Bow Group Hospital Management Committee.

With respect to the gas industry, such regional boards as the North-western Gas Board (NW/GB) and the Southeastern Gas Board (SE/GB) have replaced concerns like: The Ipswich Gas Company (I/GAS/Co.), The City of Birmingham Gas Dept. (C.B./GAS), and the Liverpool Gas Company (L/GAS/Co.).

A really fascinating group of G.B. perfins are those used by the railways, whose history can be followed in part by collecting the perfins. They were among the earliest of perfin users and whilst following the types down through the years, one sees such companies as the Cork and Blackrock Passage Railway (CB/PR); the Cambrian Railways (CAM/RYS); the London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (LB/SC); and the London, Tilbury and Southend Railway (LT/SR) being absorbed into the bigger companies until in 1923 only the "Big Four" remained. These are The Great Western Railway (GWR), The London and Northeastern Railway (LN/E), the Southern Railway (S/R) and the London, Midland and Scottish Railway (perfin unknown).

With the advent of nationalization, these companies were taken in their turn and became Regions of the British Railways of which two of the Regions are known to use perfins: The Railway Executive Western Region (RE/WR), and the Railway Executive Northeastern Region (EN/R). The latter is believed to be a modification of the die previously used by the London and Northeastern Railway.

Many other companies have used perfins and probably numerous others remain to be discovered for, prior to 1923, over a hundred companies existed. However, space does not allow me to mention any more.

Although the use of trademarks and other forms of advertising are forbidden by the post office, some companies defeat the rule by the use of their nationally known name and a collection of "Full Names" can prove most interesting. One finds such names as: WILLS (cigarettes); PEOPLE and GRAPHIC (newspapers); MYERS (rum), BASS (beer); DUNN (Tailors); and OYEZ (The Law Stationers Society); to mention but a few.

Other firms have used fancy designs—these include crowns, crosses—numbers and monograms, etc. For example, the letters SB over a crown were used by Stringer Brothers, Birmingham who manufactured bar iron of which the crown was the accepted grade mark. Two other very interesting designs are those which were used by Clark and Co., Anchor Thread Works, Paisley (C anchor C) and The County Asylum, Portsmouth (Cross above a crescent enclosing A).

Many other themes such as Banks, Insurance and Shipping companies and single letters could be mentioned and enlarged upon, but I think the foregoing will suffice to show what a wealth of romance and interest there is to be found in the perfins of Great Britain.

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